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Discussion to Focus on the Complexity of California Through Stories by California Writers

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego Public Library and the California Council for the Humanities are sponsoring "California Uncovered: Stories for the 21st Century" – an anthology of stories by California writers. The first discussion takes place on Wednesday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wangenheim Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E St. in downtown San Diego. This series is **free** to the public.

Participants will read and discuss the dynamic state of California in the words of established writers John Steinbeck, Maxine Hong Kingston, Joan Didion, and other compelling new voices that reveal California in all its complexity. A statewide program, "California Uncovered" is designed to inspire people to read and discuss these stories, as well as to tell and listen to stories that get at the reality beneath the headlines, statistics and stereotypes about the state and its people. The discussions will be moderated by Wanjiru Kemoli, Ph.D.

Participants can obtain a copy of the anthology by calling the Information Desk at 619-236-5800. For further information visit the program Web site at http://www.californiastories.org/ or visit the Library on the City's Web site at http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/.

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